

## **Hillsboro Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes**

**Regular Session** 

January 24, 2017 7:00 a.m.
Hillsboro Parks and Recreation Office

The Hillsboro Parks and Recreation Commission met in regular session on January 24, 2017. Present were Parks and Recreation Commissioners Gwynne Pitts, Ken Phelan, Lynn Scheller, Jon Michael Kowertz, and Aisha Panas; City staff Dave Miletich, Robby Hammond, Jeroen Kok, Mary Loftin, Cristina Caravaca, Valerie Otani, Brooke Ives, Cindy Allen, Maria Davila, and Karen Edwards

Commission Chair Pitts called the meeting to order.

Citizen Communication: None

## Minutes:

Motion was made by Scheller and seconded by Phelan to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 13, 2016 as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **Reports/Presentations:**

**Outpost Overview:** Ives stated the program has completed twelve summers each year lasting nine weeks and praised Allen for her talent, creativity and passion for the program. The Outpost includes a feeding program and daily activities from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm. Allen highlighted the following:

- The Shute Park program started in 2006 with a second location at Shadywood Park starting in 2014
- Serves an average of 300 lunches each day 13,000 lunches served in 2016
- Staffing includes paid staff, interns, and volunteers
- The activities include crafts, games, Super Hero Training, Reading Teepee, Water Wednesdays, Science Squad, and Bear Hunt.
- Ten additional volunteers from local companies, churches and government agencies serve the lunches
- Partners that make this program possible are Hillsboro School District, USDA, Nike, Sonrise Church, City of Hillsboro, OSU Interns, Wells Fargo and the Hops Baseball Team.
- Planning to start a third program location, at McKinney Park, summer, 2017 funded by a \$10,000 grant from KaBoom!

## **Public Art Program Update:**

- Otani displayed last year's Mayor's painting for international gifts and informed the Commission the selection for the 2017 painting is in progress.
- The rain art paintings in Downtown were popular and more will be added in Orenco Station.
- The Sheep on the Go project came back this year and partnered with The Public Art Bike Tour.
- The Shute Seeds project was a collaboration with Latino engagement and was a successful pilot. The lighting will be completed soon.
- The Apple sculpture was installed at Orenco Woods Nature Park.
- A two-year temporary sculpture, Walking Warrior, is installed at the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Main Street. The dedication will be February 7, 2017 at 5:30pm
- The Orenco Woods Stickworks sculpture project by Patrick Dougherty will begin in April. Many volunteers are needed to assist him. He will speak at the Cultural Arts Center on April 4, 2017.
- The Art Piece for Public Work's new location is in the design process. Brian Burrell is the selected artist.

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- The Bridge of Land & Sky, Brookwood Overpass project, is on indefinite hold due to construction and funding issues.
- Planning is underway for gateway sculptures part of the Wayfinding project.

**Public Art Commission at Rood Bridge Park:** Otani displayed examples of the type of project that could be installed in the meadow. The selection committee will be formed soon for this \$100,000 project. Otani requested a Commissioner be part of the selection committee.

Park Projects and Acquisition Update: Kok informed the Commission that South Hillsboro is divided into three areas; Reeds Crossing, Rosedale Park and Butternut Creek. The Land Use Review process is in progress. Road and other infrastructure construction should begin summer, 2017. The Reed's Crossing area will include neighborhood parks, storm water greenways and the BPA corridor trail. The public outreach for parks and recreation master planning will begin in February and March.

Staff has applied for a KaBoom! Grant to renovate Turner Creek Park. If approved the upgrades will include:

- Playground replaced and relocated
- Sport field improvements
- Relocate port-a-potty
- Improve the ADA access and parking
- Add a picnic shelter (not paid for by the grant)

Davila reported the \$340,000 CDBG grant with be used at Walnut Street Park to add a restroom, shelter, piñata patio and ADA improvements. Design and permitting will begin this year.

**2016-17 SDC Collection Rates:** Kok stated the first five months of this fiscal year the fees are higher than projected.

**Event Updates:** Loftin played a commercial for Tuality Hospital that included shots of Jackson Bottom Wetlands and staff. The Orenco Woods Nature Park Grand Opening will be February 4 from noon – 2pm. Activities will include Speakers, information about the Stickworks project, Letterboxes, Geocaching and nature walks. The Hillsboro Family Fiesta will be held at the M&M Marketplace from noon – 4pm on January 28, 2017. This will be a bi-yearly event at the Marketplace in winter and at Shute Park on September 16, 2017.

**Community Center at 53<sup>rd</sup> Update:** Miletich reported that funding for the Center will be discussed and prioritized at the City Council retreat on March 4, 2017. Public Works is assigning a project manager for this project.

**Director/Manager Update:** Miletich reported Ken Pipher will create a draft Naming Policy to present to the Commission. He is presently in the research phase.

Old Business: None
New Business: None
Information Items: State of the City Address January 31, 2017, 5:00pm, Civic Center Auditorium
There being no other business, Commission Chair Pitts adjourned the meeting.
ATTEST: Chair